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Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the specification:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(1)(i), please amend the subject specification as follows. A marked-up version of the amended specification wherein the deleted material is in brackets and the inserted material is underlined is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**:

On page 2, lines 6-9, please delete the paragraph which begins "This application is . . ." and insert the following paragraph:

--This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/592,070, filed January 26, 1996 and U.S. Serial No. 08/755,235, filed November 22, 1996, the contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.--

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 6-7 and 40-45 without prejudice or disclaimer to applicants' right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a latter filed application. Please also amend claim 1 under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c) as follows: A marked-up version of amended claim 1 wherein the deleted material is in brackets and the inserted material is underlined is attached hereto as **Exhibit** B:

^{--1. (2}x amended) A method of [preventing] <u>inhibiting</u> atherosclerosis in a subject suffering from